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# (U) CALIFORNIA

# (U) Los Angeles—238 Alleged Child Predators Arrested in Sting

(U) A national task force that was given the mission of cracking down on child predators has arrested 238 people in Southern California during a two-month sting, according to the Los Angeles Police Department. People were arrested in the crackdown "for charges such as possession and distribution of child pornography, sexual exploitation of children, child prostitution and sex tourism," according to LAPD Deputy Chief Matt Blake. Nationally, the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force arrested 1,368, just during the months of April and May.

SOURCE: 21 June 2016, ABC News

# (U) Santa Ana—Two Anaheim Men Convicted of Conspiring to Fight with ISIL

(U) A federal jury convicted two men of conspiring to help Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) militants, with one of the men trying to board a plane to the Middle East. Nader Elhuzayel and Muhanad Badawi, both residents of Anaheim, were convicted after a two-week trial that detailed their efforts to join the terrorist group, including their recorded pledges to "fight for the cause of Allah and to die in the battlefield," according to court papers. The men are slated to be sentenced in September.

SOURCE: 21 June 2016, Los Angeles Times

# (U) NATIONAL

# (U) District of Columbia—Homeland Security Employee Caught with Gun, Knife

(U) Washington—Federal prosecutors are investigating whether a Department of Homeland Security employee with top-secret clearance was planning an attack at the agency's Washington headquarters when he entered the building with a gun, a knife, an infrared camera, pepper spray and handcuffs. Court documents filed by the federal government state that investigators have probable cause to believe Jonathan Wienke, an analyst in the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, "was conspiring with another to commit workplace violence." The case remains under investigation.

SOURCE: 21 June 2016, Associated Press

#### (U) Indiana—Teen Arrested on Terror Charges, Wanted to Join ISIL

(U) Indianapolis—Federal officials arrested an 18-year-old Indiana man yesterday who the FBI said had researched potential terrorist targets in his home state before attempting to make his way out of the country and eventually join ISIL in Libya. Akram Musleh was arrested by authorities at an Indianapolis Greyhound bus station as he tried to board a bus to New York, with plans to fly out to Morocco. He faces up to 20 years in prison if convicted.

SOURCE: 21 June 2016, ABC News

#### (U) New York—Russian Hackers Believed to Have Breached Clinton Foundation Computers

(U) New York—Russian hackers are believed to have breached the computers of the Clinton Foundation— and appear to be the same cyber spies who swiped confidential files from the Democratic Party and Hillary Clinton campaigns, according to officials familiar with the investigation. Three private security

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firms have concluded the hackers are Russian, and some security experts say Russian intelligence could be behind the attacks and want to interfere in the US presidential election. The US intelligence community, however, hasn't determined that Russia is engaging in a wholesale attempt to interfere with the American election, three US officials said.

SOURCE: 22 June 2016, NBC News

#### (U) New York—Three Arrested with Multiple Guns, Knives, Body Armor at New Jersey-NYC Tunnel

(U) New York— Three people were arrested with multiple loaded guns, knives and ballistic vests at the Holland Tunnel yesterday when police stopped them for driving with a cracked windshield, according to authorities. Two senior law enforcement officials say the three suspects are so-called "gun enthusiasts" and have no nexus to terror. The investigation is ongoing.

SOURCE: 21 June 2016, NBC 4 New York

# (U) INTERNATIONAL

# (U) Niger—Multi-National Force Launches Operations Against Boko Haram

(U) Niamey—A multi-national force has begun operations against Boko Haram along the border between Niger and Nigeria, a general from Niger said yesterday. The operation, which began in secret almost a week ago, involved troops from Chad, Nigeria, Niger, and Cameroon, according to Brigadier-General Abdou Sidikou Issa, the tactical chief of staff for the force. "The operations have as their objective (to end) the occupation of all the zones currently occupied by Boko Haram," Issa said. "Our role is to firmly secure the border."

SOURCE: 21 June 2016, Reuters

#### (U) North Korea—Military Successfully Launches Midrange Missile

(U) Pyongyang—North Korea endured international humiliation with five failed launches in about two months before it finally pulled off what appears to be a successful test of a powerful new midrange missile. The second Musudan missile launched today flew about 620 miles high and a distance of about 245 miles, South Korean and Japanese officials said, which indicated a success for some observers. The missile puts a significant amount of Asia and the Pacific, including US military bases, within reach. SOURCE: 22 June 2016, Associated Press

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